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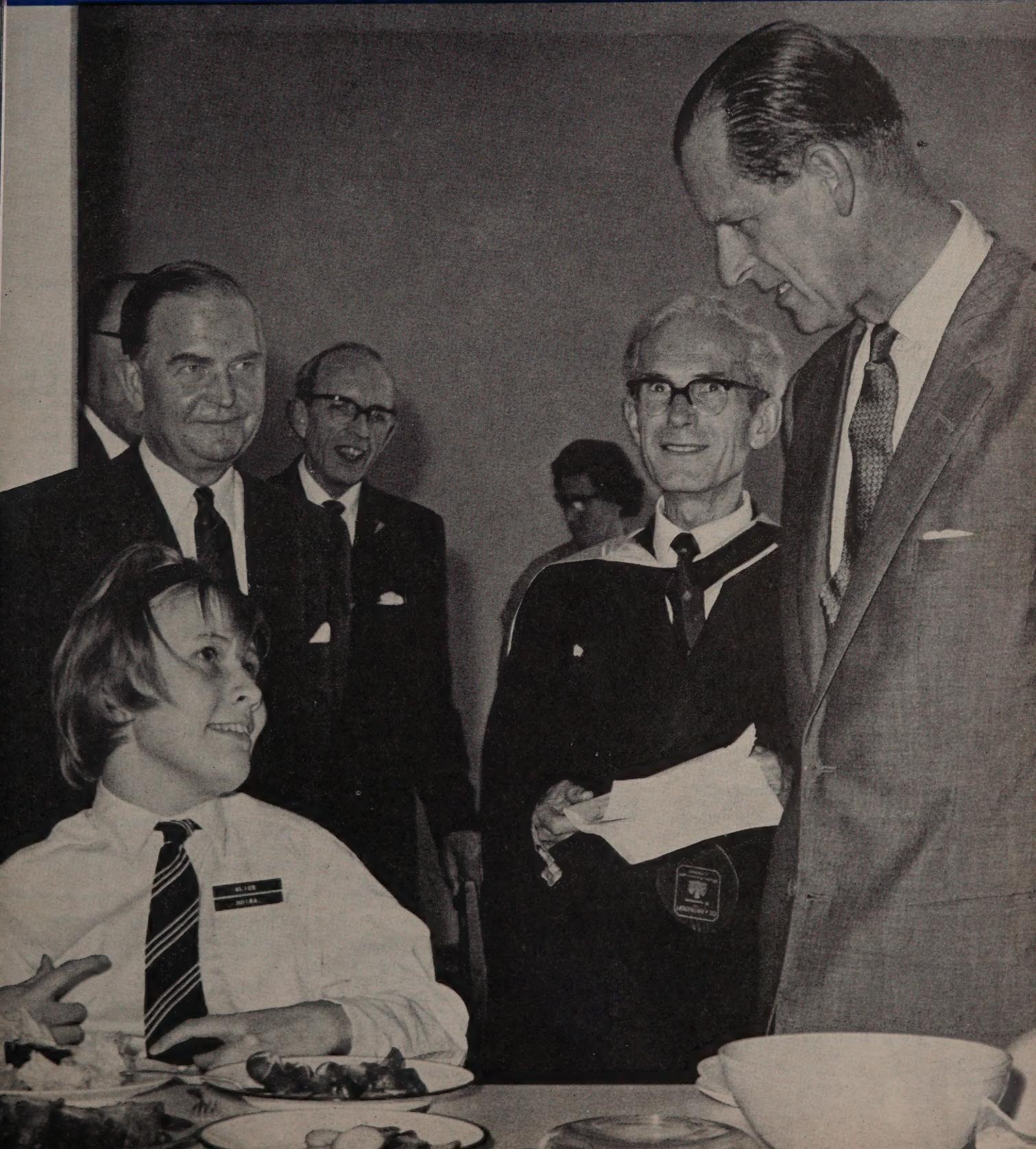
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Above: Prince Philip's helicopter lands on the School playing fields and is met by Dr. D. E. Wheeler, the Chairman of the Spastics Society

Above right: Mr. H. B. Davies, Headmaster of the School, is presented to His Royal Highness by the Chairman. Mrs. Davies is nearest the camera

(Photograph: Courtesy Tonbridge Free Press)



" . . . an extra half-holiday at least to mark the occasion . . . "

(Photograph: Courtesy Tonbridge Free Press)



(Photograph: Courtesy Tonbridge Free Press)

The Tour begins



(Photograph: Courtesy Tonbridge Free Press)

Maya Lowther, Bronze Award winner, receives her Award from Prince Philip

# FIRST IN THE WORLD

## H.R.H. Prince Philip, President of The Spastics Society, opens the Thomas Delarue School

THE first purpose-built grammar school for spastic children, the Thomas Delarue School near Tonbridge, in Kent, was given its grand opening on June 9, 1964, by H.R.H. Prince Philip, President of the Spastics Society.

And it was a grand opening. Prince Philip made it an afternoon designed expressly for the children, from the moment when his brilliant red helicopter swooped casually right round the whole school before landing in the playing field, to his departure—through crowded wheelchairs, the youngsters all waving like mad. Formality was cheerfully cut to a minimum, and excitement, gaiety and a kind of warm family feeling ran through the school as the children showed the Duke everything they did.

His Royal Highness, who was accompanied by his Private Secretary, Mr. Orr, and his Police Officer, was met on the landing-pad by the Lord Cornwallis, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Kent, Dr. D. E. Wheeler, Chairman of the Spastics Society, and Dr. C. P. Stevens, Director of the Spastics Society.

At the school the following people were presented to Prince Philip: the Lady Cornwallis; Mrs. Wheeler; Mrs. Stevens; Mr. A. D. Delarue, Chairman of the School Governors, and Mrs. Delarue; Mr. H. B. Davies, Headmaster of the School, and Mrs. Davies; the Right Reverend Dr. R. D. Say, Bishop of Rochester, and Mrs. Say; Mr. A. P. Moira, Vice-Chairman of the Spastics Society, and Mrs. Moira; Mr. W. A. Burn, Hon. Treasurer of the Spastics Society, and Mrs. Burn; Mrs. A. L. Champneys, Vice-Chairman of the School Governors; Mr. V. C. Martin, Hon. Treasurer of the School, and Mrs. Martin.

In the Assembly Hall, as Dr. Wheeler welcomed His Royal Highness, he said that this was a day that would never be forgotten in the history of the Thomas Delarue School and The Spastics Society as a whole, for we had with us for the first time our Royal President at an official opening ceremony. The school was indeed a project of which the Society was very proud, "the only Secondary School in Great Britain that provides full facilities to Grammar School level for the education of spastics, and at the same time takes care of their treatment."

Prince Philip said: "Helping charities seems rather a remote business sometimes. Places like this seldom make the headlines, although the work they do is so good—but here, anyone who has contributed to the Spastics Society can see that something tangible and impressive has been put up, and they can see their help has been some good."

Speaking of the early pioneering days of the School, the Duke said, "These buildings are a tribute to the success of that school. I am certain that everything here looks much more convenient. But the real point is exactly the same, that is to say that children with physical handicaps can develop to the best of their abilities.

"The work that is done here depends on very special

qualities of ingenuity and thoughtfulness in the staff, and courage and tenacity among the children.

"The academic record of the first school is impressive enough—way above my own standard!" said the Duke cheerfully—"but what has excited me even more is that eight of you should have gained Bronze Awards.

"In the long run, the success of the school will be measured in the success of the men and women educated here. Something like three-quarters of all the boys and girls who have left the school have obtained immediate employment, and this record compares favourably with that of many other schools.

"The value of these buildings measured in terms of human happiness and fulfilment is really beyond calculation."

Prince Philip paused as the moment for unveiling the commemorative plaque approached, and smiled amiably

### FRONT COVER PICTURE

The Duke of Edinburgh with Alice Moira in the cookery class. Behind Alice, Dr. D. E. Wheeler, Chairman; Dr. C. P. Stevens, Director; Mr. H. B. Davies, Headmaster of the School.

(Photograph: Courtesy Kent & Sussex Courier)

### BACK COVER PICTURE

Prince Philip's helicopter flies away at the end of an exciting visit.

(Photograph: Courtesy Tonbridge Free Press)

down at the children. "Before I declare this building, formally, even more open than it is already", he said thoughtfully, "I see no reason why I should not ask the Headmaster to arrange for an extra half-holiday at least to mark the occasion . . ."

Amid some noise, Prince Philip unveiled the plaque, and Mr. Davies, the Headmaster, rose and cast a quelling eye in all directions—literally in all directions; he must have forgotten for a moment that royal persons were statutorily exempt—and having restored total order in about a second, returned buoyantly to holiday mood in expressing to Prince Philip, on behalf of all the members of the School and of the Society, warm thanks and gratitude "for the great honour you have done us in so kindly coming here today to open our School.

"Visual aids," reflected Mr. Davies, "are an important factor in helping our pupils to learn. In your presence here today, and in the very *modern* manner of your arriving and departing, you have impressed today's ceremony indelibly on all our memories!"



(Photograph: Courtesy Tonbridge Free Press)

*Above: John Per demonstrating the art of weaving  
Above left: Michael Nash and Christopher Bull advance upon a new piece of papier-mâche sculpture*

(Photograph: Courtesy Kent & Sussex Courier)

The Duke's tour of the School was a revelation. Always impeccable in small things as in great, the School itself survived it, while every pupil, that afternoon, was given a special and personal memory of the day to keep, for Prince Philip spoke to every one—about 70 of them—as well as to most of the staff.

Also presented to His Royal Highness were members of the Executive Committee and of the School Governors, and Mr. Ian Dawson Shepherd, one of the Society's founders and its first Chairman, as well as the Assistant Directors and their ladies.

Prince Philip went everywhere, and the pictures on these pages show his progress. When finally he left, it was through a happy riot of hero-worshippers. For the Spastics Society, this must be its most rewarding and delightful day in 1964.

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Next day a letter arrived at the School for Mr. Davies, from Mr. James Orr, Prince Philip's Private Secretary. It said:

Dear Mr. Davies,

The Duke of Edinburgh has asked me to say how much he enjoyed his visit to the Delarue School yesterday afternoon.

His Royal Highness was greatly impressed by the wonderful work the School is doing, the great courage of the children and the obvious unselfish devotion of your staff. Prince Philip was very touched by the cheerfulness of everybody, and was delighted to have the opportunity of personally presenting the Bronze Awards.

Yours sincerely,  
James Orr.



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Michael Chope, Bronze Award winner, presents Prince Philip with a silver bon-bon dish, made at the School, which had an E in the centre, for Prince Edward. The Duke took it for an ash tray, and asked Michael if he expected Prince Edward to start smoking already

## ABOUT THE SCHOOL:

The Thomas Delarue School is the only Secondary School in Britain providing facilities for both the Grammar and the Modern streams and devoted entirely to the edu-

cation and treatment of spastics. Established in 1955 by The Spastics Society, its name commemorates the donor of its original buildings.

The School is residential and was built to accommodate 82 boys and girls from the age of 11 upwards. A good average level of intelligence is required for admission as the curriculum provides courses leading to the General Certificate of Education Examinations and to those of the Royal Society of Arts. The School is recognised as an efficient Secondary School by the Ministry of Education and is a Centre for the Cambridge University Local Examinations Syndicate.

For those whose bent is less academic there are courses having a more practical bias and provision is made for all students in the departments of Domestic Science and Housecraft, Wood and Metal work, which also provide courses in Technical Drawing, and in Commercial subjects. The facilities include a well-equipped laboratory, and rooms specially equipped for art, crafts and music. In the field of music the School boasts a very successful choir and a number of pupils have lessons in pianoforte and violin. A large hall, equipped with a stage, serves as a venue for an active programme of group physical training and for dramatics.

Teaching is in the hands of a fully qualified and largely Honours Graduate staff.

The School has excellent provisions for treatment with rooms designed and equipped for physiotherapy, speech therapy and occupational therapy and with an indoor pool for hydrotherapy and basic swimming lessons. The treatment is provided by a fully qualified staff under the direction of the Medical Consultants to the School.

The general care outside the classrooms in the hands of a large houseparent staff, some of whom hold nursing qualifications. They contribute to an active atmosphere within which the students can develop their social experience.

The School's aim is to provide a good secondary education for intelligent young spastics, and at the same time train them to live as full and independent lives as their handicaps permit. To this end they are encouraged to join extra-mural societies, to visit the town, to shop for themselves, and to get about and mix with the general population as much as possible. Group visits to theatres and concerts in London and nearby towns, as well as other excursions, are arranged by the School or sometimes on the students' own initiative.



Prince Philip says goodbye

(Photograph: Courtesy Kent & Sussex Courier)

# Hearing Problems in Cerebrally Palsied Children

by Dr. L. Fisch, Consultant Otologist

DIFFICULTIES in communication in cerebrally palsied children vary in degree. They may amount to nothing more than an articulation defect, which can be overcome gradually, or they may be so severe that communication requires concentrated effort, is slow and laborious.

There is no need, in this context, to stress the importance of communication in general. *Receiving* messages from the environment and *sending* messages, is an essential biological function of even the simplest organism. *Social life is impossible without communication.* In cerebrally palsied children a severe difficulty in communication may finally prove to be the greatest disability of all, overriding even the physical one. It is important to pay detailed attention to this difficulty and to investigate carefully to see how it may be overcome, or at least alleviated.

## The Basis of Language

Our main preoccupation is *communication by language*—understanding and speaking it. In this connection the sense of hearing is of utmost importance. Human language is built from sound. One can say that sound is the raw material of human language. It is impossible to separate language from its sound elements.

For this reason, without hearing it is impossible to acquire a knowledge of language spontaneously and with comparative ease, as a normal child does. If a child has hearing difficulties, he is bound to have difficulty in learning to speak and to understand.

As far as cerebrally palsied children are concerned there are two problems. The first is the difficulties they encounter in making good use of hearing ability, *even when physically the function of hearing itself is not impaired.* The second arises when in addition there is a hearing impairment, as happens fairly often, mainly in the athetoid type.

## II.

The child who has difficulty in *moving his head* or controlling the movements of his head, will also find it difficult to make the best use of his hearing.

The main purpose of moving our heads is to use our

principal sensory organs, chiefly our eyes and ears, to the best effect. When we hear a sound we turn towards the direction of the origin of the noise, to verify its significance or to judge the distance of the source. The ear, in this case, functions first as a direction detector. Direction detection is in the first place the fundamental biological function of hearing. Assessment of distance is difficult through hearing alone: it is made much easier when vision is also employed.

## Integration of Hearing and Vision

When we turn our heads in the direction of a sound source we combine our two main systems of communication, vision and hearing, for one purpose. The importance of this *integration of our sensory receptors*, in everyday life, is not always fully appreciated. The cerebrally palsied child whose head control is imperfect can be considerably affected: he may not be able to verify the origin of a sound, or judge its distance, and he may be puzzled or even frightened by a sound he cannot identify. The result of these difficulties shows itself in a slowing down of the processes of learning from experience about happenings in the child's environment.

## III.

Another important function which may be affected in cerebrally palsied children is the function of *listening*. The normal process of listening is a much more complicated sequence of activities than one may think. Listening means first of all a cessation of all activities—stopping, and keeping still. Then we may adjust the position of the head or even of the body, in order to improve acoustic conditions. Generally, *listening means the elimination of all the other communication channels*, all other types of sensory stimulation, in order to channel as much information as possible through the *auditory system*. A cerebrally palsied child, and chiefly an athetoid, may not be able to stop, to adjust his head for the best position in the given set of circumstances (turning the head towards the sound source), and he may not be able to eliminate other types of stimulation. In other words, *the child may not be able to listen effectively*.

According to some researches, the time spent during communication in listening accounts for 45% (on the average, in the normal population), while we spend 30% speaking, 16% reading, and 9% writing. It can be seen then that, when communicating by language, listening is proportionately the most important part.

There is often an additional difficulty, especially among athetoid children. This is produced by constant movements of the body which create much noise (body noise, or sometimes noises from the special chair). These noises may have a *masking effect* and may make listening much more difficult.

A further difficulty is met if, when listening to somebody speaking, one is unable to watch the speaker's face. It is known that lip-reading makes understanding of speech much easier, especially in unfavourable conditions when there is much noise present. A speaker's face also provides us with additional, non-linguistic, information, such as the emotional content of what is said. Babies and small children always watch faces intently. The ability to see the mother's face, when she speaks to the child, enhances the process of learning to understand. Many cerebrally palsied children are deprived of this facility, and this slows down their process of learning.

#### IV.

The difficulties mentioned above must be understood, not only because one can do quite a lot to compensate for them, or even overcome them, but also because they must be borne in mind when evaluating, generally, the child's ability, capacity to learn, and his progress. The effect of these difficulties are not dramatic and they can not be detected easily.

When head control is bad or head movement is restricted, it is important, whenever possible, to bring the various sources of sounds, especially of new sounds, into the child's visual field. Often it is necessary to point out directly the source of various sounds. The child must be spoken to, always face to face, and at his own level. Body noises and noises from chairs must be reduced to the minimum.

#### V.

When in addition to the above-mentioned difficulties there is also a hearing *defect*, the situation can be much worse for the child, and therefore it is important to find out whether hearing is impaired.

Hearing impairment is frequent in the athetoid type of cerebral palsy. In this case the cause of the hearing defect is the same as that of the cerebral palsy itself. The type of hearing loss is characteristic: hearing for the lower notes is often normal, or only moderately impaired, but there is *difficulty in hearing the higher notes*. Now, vowel sounds are mostly in the lower range of notes, and consonant sounds in the higher range. For this reason a person whose hearing is impaired for the high notes may hear a considerable portion of speech but has difficulty in understanding what was said. The vowel sounds provide the power to speech sounds; the consonants supply the meaning.

This type of deafness is *extremely frustrating*. Everything is jumbled up. It can be much more frustrating than not hearing at all.

When the degree of hearing impairment is severe, it is

very difficult for the child to learn to understand and to speak, even when he is otherwise physically normal. When this type of hearing loss is present in the cerebrally palsied child even in a moderate degree, his ability to learn, to understand and to speak can be severely affected. On the other hand, if one discovers the hearing loss in good time, one can help considerably. For this reason it is of the greatest possible importance that a hearing loss should be discovered early. This is possible only by *systematic testing of all cerebrally palsied children*, without exception, whether deafness is suspected or not.

The possibility of a high-note hearing loss in the athetoid child is not the only important reason for testing the hearing of cerebrally palsied children. There are other types of deafness which may be present in the athetoid or spastic type of child, just as various types of hearing loss are possible in the physically normal child population. Much emphasis is placed these days on the early detection of deafness in children generally. It is even more important to discover deafness in children who already have another handicap.

Often hearing tests in cerebrally palsied children are not easy to carry out. Special techniques, special facilities and trained people are necessary. Generally, this service can be provided in places where good services for dealing with hearing problems in children already exist. If these services are not available, it is very difficult to provide a specialised service for cerebral palsied children in this respect. But this should not deter us from trying to provide better services in regions where they are still absent.

#### VI.

We cannot describe here in detail the various remedial procedures which must be taken when it is discovered that a cerebrally palsied child's hearing is impaired. However, we can state some important principles.

There are two most important principles which should be emphasised:—

1. *Speech for the cerebral palsied child must be heard and SEEN.*
2. *Understanding must come first, before we try to teach the child to produce speech.*

We must speak to the child face to face, at his own level. This notion must penetrate throughout at all levels and types of people dealing with cerebrally palsied children: teachers, therapists, parents, relatives, friends.

Many cerebrally palsied children may always have great difficulties in producing speech sounds. But very many of those who have this difficulty *can learn to understand* perfectly well. In the case of small cerebrally palsied children one should never drill a child to produce speech sounds. Initially almost *all the effort should be concentrated in teaching the child to understand*. Our primary task is teaching the child *the knowledge of language*—understanding it and if at all possible, speaking it intelligibly. We must, however, realise that sometimes it is not possible for the cerebrally palsied person to speak intelligibly and fluently. But, provided there is understanding, *knowledge of language*, there is always the possibility that some technical device may yet be produced which will enable the person to communicate back. In fact there is good reason to believe that modern developments in electronics will perfect various aids for purposes of communication.

# Help for Spastics in Need

This article has been specially prepared for us by the staff of the National Assistance Board

ONE encouragement to a feeling of independence in a handicapped person is to have an income of his own. Some may be able to earn sufficient to support themselves. Many, of course, will not be able to do so. From the age of 16, however, any spastic who is not self-supporting can apply in his own right for a weekly grant from the National Assistance Board. He can do this whether or not he is living with his parents or relatives. Generally speaking, however, a grant cannot be paid to anyone who has a full-time job.

The Board's grants are intended to bring whatever income a person already has up to the standards laid down by Parliament. For example, a spastic living at home with parents or relatives and having no money of his own would receive a weekly allowance of £1 17s. 0d. at age 16, £2 3s. 0d. on reaching the age of 18 and £2 15s. 0d. a week if aged 21 or over. Over the age of 18 he would also receive an additional allowance for rent, in this case a share of the rent paid by his parents, though not exceeding 15s. a week. If he were married, the allowance would be £5 4s. 6d., plus an addition for rent. In the case of a spastic living alone the grant would be £3 3s. 6d. a week, again with an addition to cover the rent. A person sharing someone else's household as a paying boarder would normally receive an allowance sufficient to cover the board and lodging charge and leave him with £1 1s. 0d. weekly for personal expenses.

A patient in hospital who has little or no resources can receive an allowance of 13s. 6d. a week for personal expenses. Consideration will also be given to helping with any outside commitment for rent. If the patient is married, an allowance at the normal rate would be payable, though this would be reduced by 13s. 6d. after a period of eight weeks.

Application for a weekly grant should be made to the Board's local office. It is not necessary to call at the office. An officer will visit the spastic at home. All that is needed is a letter to the Board's office, whose address will be found in the telephone directory or in the list of addresses displayed in the post office. If preferred, a ready addressed and stamped application form (Form 0.1) can be obtained from the post office.

When the officer calls, he will complete a statement of the applicant's needs and resources which the applicant will be asked to sign. This statement includes information about whether the applicant has to pay rent, whether there is anyone else living in the house who is dependent upon him, or whether there are any special expenses arising from, for example, unusually heavy wear on clothing, a special diet, or a need for additional heating.

The officer will also want to know what resources the applicant already has and will ask for details of income,

such as national insurance benefits and part-time earnings, and also for details of savings.

Although the officer must obtain a complete record of the applicant's resources not all of them will necessarily be taken into account. For example, up to 15s. a week of the payment from some voluntary source is disregarded from earnings of a handicapped person unable to register for work. Part of earnings under the Spastics Society's scheme for printing Christmas cards at home would be disregarded in this way.

Some savings can also be disregarded. It is possible to have £375 of "war savings" and up to £600 of other capital and still receive a grant from the Board. Personal possessions are not taken into account and neither is the capital value of an owner-occupied house.

With this information—which will be treated in confidence—the officer can decide whether a grant is payable. The amount of the grant will be the difference between the sums set out above and any income which does not fall to be disregarded. The grant can be increased if there are special expenses.

A spastic who is capable of working will be expected to register at the Employment Exchange and will then be paid his grant weekly at the Exchange. Other allowances are paid through the post office by means of a book of weekly orders that looks like a pension book and bears on its cover the title "supplement to pension or other weekly grant". When a spastic is unable to get to the post office himself he can appoint a deputy to collect the grant.

The Board's officer will continue to keep in touch by visiting at regular intervals, and may be able to help with advice on other difficulties that arise.

Apart from paying regular weekly allowances, the Board can help in other ways. People receiving a grant are entitled to have refunded charges for prescriptions, dental treatment and dentures and surgical appliances supplied by the National Health Service. Anyone not already receiving a grant who, after paying any of these charges, would be in need by the Board's standards, can also get help in this way.

The chemist will supply a receipt on form E.C.57 when charges for prescriptions are paid and there are full instructions on the back of the form for getting the charges refunded. The supplier will be able to advise about the refund of other charges, and the hospital authorities about refunds of hospital fares.

There are two leaflets which provide further information about help with National Health Service charges.

Anyone responsible for a spastic over the age of 16 should get a leaflet and if in any doubt should not hesitate to consult the Board's officer. He will be pleased to help in any way he can.

My name is Richard Robinson, and this is Brutus. We both live at Hawksworth Hall.



Brutus guards me, and we enjoy long lazy chats in the sun . . .



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In addition to the services outlined above, local authorities (county councils and county borough councils), as local welfare authorities, have permissive powers under Section 29 of the National Assistance Act, 1948, to assist substantially, permanently physically handicapped people, to arrange for the adaptation of appliances in their homes and for the provision of extra help required for their comfort and convenience. These powers are wide in scope and many authorities provide a ramp which makes access to the house easier; they can widen doors to allow wheelchairs to go through and provide bathroom facilities at ground floor level, special electric switches and taps and door handles, besides gadgets to help with dressing, eating and cooking, etc.

Local health authorities have discretionary powers under Section 28 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, to loan a wide range of nursing equipment and apparatus for handicapped people who are being nursed in their own homes, which can include hoists and special chairs, etc.

The local authorities, in the exercise of their powers described above, may recover from the user, their cost.

#### BEDFORD

Bedford and District branch of the Spastics Society has had an unexpected windfall. Through an oversight, dividends on shares held by the branch in Bedford Co-operative Society had not been claimed for three years and had accumulated to £344 17s. Od. "We are hoping to expand, and this money will give us a good start", said Miss A. E. Kidder, Secretary, earlier this week.

# MORE SPAS\*



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# ILFORD, ROMFORD FÊTE



(Photograph: Courtesy Ilford Pictorial)

At a fête recently held at Gordon Fields, Ilford, by the Ilford, Romford and District Spastics Association and the Goodmayes Round Table, were Susan from B.B.C.'s "Dr. Who" serial and a Dalek. The left-hand picture shows eight-year-old Charles Todd about to have a ride out of this world in the Dalek. The picture above is of Susan (Carol Ann Ford) surrounded by her fans

## THE BEACON CLUB

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## CLUB ORGANISER

"**Y**OUR task is to work yourself out of a job as quickly as possible". That was the Director speaking to Mr. William Hargreaves seven years ago when he commenced his activities as Industrial Liaison Officer. His task was to convince employers that spastics, if given the right chance, can do a job of work.

Countless speeches and thousands of miles later he has fulfilled the request made to him at the beginning. Because there are now well over 700 spastics in full-time employment acting as their own advertisement there is no need for Mr. Hargreaves to continue in this sphere of activity.

He has now been appointed to the position of Club Organiser. Two years ago he inaugurated the first '62 Club and this has proved so successful that six other clubs are now in being at Cardiff, Coventry, Manchester, Nottingham, Oxfordshire and Southend. His task now is to encourage as many groups as possible to give adult spastics their head and allow them where possible to organise their own social affairs. He is convinced that only by so doing will spastics eventually come into their own and be completely integrated into Society. When once people see that given a chance spastics can do things for themselves they will, to quote his own words, "be more ready to treat us as equals".

His plans for the future include speaking to groups about how they can help adult spastics, encouraging spastics to help themselves, helping them to form their own clubs and organise leadership courses and independence camps and holidays in co-operation with the Holiday Organiser.



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## Obituary

### MR. N. D. BOSWORTH-SMITH

We deeply regret to announce the death of Mr. Nevil Digby Bosworth-Smith, C.B., formerly Under-Secretary at the Ministry of Education. He was 78.

Shortly before his retirement from the Ministry of Education he was instrumental in obtaining the support of the Local Education Authorities which was so vital to the B.C.W.S. in the early years.

He was a founder member (with Paul S. Cadbury, Stephen K. Quayle and R. A. S. Lloyd) of the B.C.W.S. in 1946, and was Chairman of its Executive Committee from 1948 until 1956.

Mr. Bosworth-Smith was a member of the Ponds House Committee until his death, and was the prime mover in the formation of the Friends of Ponds.

# THE LADY ZIA WERNHER CENTRE FOR SPASTIC CHILDREN

## Official Opening by H.R.H. Princess Marina, Duchess of Kent

(Photographs: Courtesy 'Luton News')

THE Salvation Army band from Luton Temple played martial airs in the glorious weather of Saturday, May 30, while an audience in whizz hats and summer frocks waited for the arrival of H.R.H. Princess Marina to open the new Luton Centre, the Lady Zia Wernher Centre for Spastic Children.

Sightseers and curious kids crowded the railings outside and in, the children slowly engulfing the SPASTICS NEWS and radio van as the grand arrivals began. The Lord Bishop of St. Albans, in scarlet with white sleeves, carrying a silver crozier. The Rt. Hon. Lord Hill of Luton, P. C. and Lady Hill; Mr. W. Howie, M.P. for Luton and Mr. N. J. Cole, M.P. for South Bedfordshire; the Chief Constable; the High Sheriff of Bedfordshire, the Chairman of the County Council; the Mayors and Mayoresses of Luton and Dunstable, with many other distinguished guests and well-wishers.

The Spastics Society was represented by its Director, Dr. C. P. Stevens, with Mrs. Stevens, and by Mr. D. Lancaster-Gaye, the Local Centres Secretary, and Mr. M. Stopford.

An exciting addition to the afternoon was the presence of four trumpeters of the Life Guards, in black and gold, who heralded Princess Marina's car with a fanfare.

The shifting tide of children round the poor editor gave the News an unusual slant on the afternoon's proceedings.

"Oo's that?"

"Where's Mr. Pastry?" "Coo, look at them gold chaps!" (These were the heralds.)

"Is that Princess Marina?"

"She's sitting in 'Mr. Pastry's' big chair, I 'ope she knows," said one small boy censoriously.

"No, that's all right", said his older brother. "She's beautiful."

Her Royal Highness glanced with amusement and kindness at the children and, amid grim shushings from our end, the proceedings began.

Lord Hill, President of the Local Spastics Group, extended on its behalf to Her Royal Highness and all guests,

named and unnamed, a warm welcome to the ceremony on this great day, adding proudly that "Your Royal Highness can seldom have opened a building so nearly paid for as this one". The Centre cost £53,000, for building work and the first year's costs, after which it would need £4,500 a year to maintain it.

The Group was indebted to very many people—to the national Society, to Luton Corporation for the land, to Sir



Dr. Grahame Fagg, paediatrician to the Luton and Hitchin Group Hospital Management Committee, who says "We are these children's Godparents"

Harold and Lady Zia Wernher for guidance, help and sponsorship, to "Mr. Pastry" (the Centre's swimming pool was his 50th), to the builders who had added much voluntary help to their formal work, and to the workers on the site who had themselves gathered together a substantial donation to the new Centre.

The service of dedication, conducted by the Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of St. Albans, was a touch marred for some of us by purely local embellishments:

"We are gathered together to dedicate this Centre . . ."

"Get back, you little perishers!"

". . . Let us confess to God . . ."

"Right back, right back!"

". . . Let us give thanks . . ."

"I tell you, you're on me wire!"

After the hymn, the Chairman of the Luton Group called on Princess Marina to open the Centre.

In doing so, Her Royal Highness said it was five years to the day since she had attended a tattoo in Luton to launch the fund for this Centre. She wished to congratulate



Mrs. Brenda Greenly, the Centre's teacher, reads a story to her class of youngsters



Miss Margaret Parnwell, a physiotherapist at the new Centre, tends one of the children

everyone concerned on the wonderfully successful outcome of their scheme.

"As patron of the Society, I know the great efforts made by the many Groups working for spastics throughout the country", she said, "and on behalf of the Spastics Society

I should like to express my thanks to the many helpers who made this Centre possible. I am delighted to declare open the Lady Zia Wernher Centre for Spastic Children."

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When Her Royal Highness had unveiled a plaque commemorating this event and the Life Guard trumpeters had sounded a fanfare, the platform party was shown the Centre, meeting the children, and the following presentations were made: Dr. C. G. Fagg (Children's Physician); Mrs. W. Heley (Matron); Mr. Clifford W. Shrimplin, F.R.I.B.A. (Architect); Mr. P. J. Henman (T. & E. Neville Ltd.), and staff of the various departments.

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Finally came the official opening of the Pool, by "Mr. Pastry". Sounds of high excitement were relayed to the audience in the garden, as "Mr. Pastry" (Richard Hearne) made ready. Over the loudspeaker, he said that this was a great moment in the history of "Mr. Pastry's" Pools, as this was the 50th pool to be opened, and the first such opening to be attended by a member of the Royal Family. Overcome by the honour, "Mr. Pastry" said "Thank you very much" several times, in Greek. Then he squared up to his task.

"These things are always done in the same way", he said morosely. "I am *pushed in*". (Two spastic children were waiting eagerly to do this.)

"But first", said "Mr. Pastry" firmly, "I have to put my hat on, because I'm always very cold in the water.

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# WHY '62 CLUBS?

by W. M. C. Hargreaves

"FANCY making spastics pay to join their own Club". This statement made to me a long time ago by parents really sums up the reason why the '62 Club movement has come into existence and why it is growing from strength to strength in various parts of the country.

Very many spastic people I have met lack and desire four things: the dignity of making up their own minds, the dignity of taking their own actions, the dignity of giving and the dignity of work. Throughout their childhood and adolescence both at home and at special schools nearly all the planning and action has been done for them. Well-meaning people have been vigorously "doing good" to them . . . until it becomes easier and more comfortable to sit back and take it and finally to enjoy it. The result is that when we eventually try to cope with life as it really is we are completely unrealistic, immature and unwilling to take risks. In short we are "different" from other people in a sense quite removed from the physical. This is quite unfair and unnecessary. There is no doubt that those of us who have had to take life on the chin whilst young are better equipped to face and cope with the realities of life, able to take real responsibility for our actions. This is not a question of physical disability. It is in the mind and it cannot be altered suddenly.

Academic learning is not enough. One has to learn by experience and experience has to be acquired. One has to learn by mistakes and mistakes have to be made and overcome. Some painful lessons have to be learnt, not the least being the acceptance of our limitations.

This is where the '62 Club movement is proving itself to be of such tremendous help. It is our club. We are responsible for it. We elect our own officers and committees from amongst our members. We raise our own money. We spend our own money. When we go on a coach trip we order the coach ourselves. We do our own catering, keep our own books, arrange our own programme and learn to help those more handicapped. We are by no means exclusive. One of our aims is to mix with non-spastics on equal terms so that people will treat us as mature persons and speak to us at our age level. Before we invite others in, however, we must put ourselves in a position to be on equal terms. We must in fact be able to do things for ourselves. It is when we have confidence to do so that we are able to invite others into membership of the Club.

I feel it is quite wrong for spastics to be segregated into boxes labelled "spastics only—keep out". This makes us become *more* conscious of our disabilities, which is unhealthy. Some '62 Clubs are already inviting other handicapped people to join on equal terms. Non-handicapped people are also welcome but as associate members only. This makes quite sure that the control is vested in the handicapped which gives us confidence to grapple with life and enjoy its challenges instead of being frightened by them.

There are now seven '62 Clubs in existence in London, Coventry, Nottingham, Southend, Manchester, Oxfordshire

and Cardiff. At all clubs except Cardiff members are completely responsible for organising their own affairs. The Spastics Society groups in these areas have been most willing to "stand back". Even though they see mistakes being made they also witness lessons being learnt. Cardiff club is a "Service Club" organised by the group and other interested bodies. They have a splendid programme designed to help those who are too young and perhaps too handicapped to do very much for themselves. I do not think it is too much to hope that out of such "service clubs" will grow senior groups in the '62 Club manner.

Many groups do, of course, have their own clubs and I hope very much that they will invite me to visit them. I want to hear the views of their members. I am perfectly sure that we can all help each other and I want to know from them what they feel. It is important too that I should be aware of all clubs so that wherever spastics live in the country they can join the local club. It will be helpful if those attending our adult centres could be invited as guests and perhaps they could organise their own club. Gradually there will be created a network of social clubs united with the common purpose of achieving independence by doing things for themselves. It is most important that these clubs should establish their own identity, but once established they can—through the medium of national and regional conferences of their leaders—achieve unity of purpose and present to the country a new and vigorous image of what can be done given the will and the way.



"Morning J.B."

# Slough A.G.M.

ON Wednesday, May 13, 1964, our group held its eleventh Annual General Meeting, at the local Spastics' Unit.

We were very fortunate in having present the then reigning Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor A. Simpson and Mrs. Simpson. This was particularly interesting, as we had on view a specially adapted ambulance, that was purchased from the proceeds of a fund, which was instigated by the Mayor during his year of office.

This vehicle is going to be shared with the Mentally Handicapped Society of Slough, but, it is our intention to put it at the disposal of any other physical handicapped society of Slough, should they need it for any special occasion.

It has been given the original name of "The Cherry-picker", named after Slough's adopted regiment, "The Cherrypickers".

The highlight of the evening, was a most interesting talk by Shirley Keene, who had come from Headquarters to speak to us about her recent trip to Australia, and the way they are tackling the problem of cerebral palsy, "down under".

A spastic herself, Shirley's lighthearted approach and sense of humour holds the listener's interest for every single second.

However, all good things must come to an end, and after seeing Shirley on her way back to London, we all went

our separate ways with the thought that as we entered our twelfth year, we would achieve even more towards the Welfare of Spastics in Slough, with the continued help and encouragement of our friends around us.

D. L. P. Houghton,  
Press Officer.



Donald Houghton with the new ambulance

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# Letters to the Editor

## SETTLING IN A CENTRE

Dear Editor,

The following is the text of a letter recently sent to me by the mother of a mentally handicapped child with cerebral palsy. It speaks for itself! My purpose in asking you to publish it in your magazine is to help allay some of the fears existing in the minds of some parents whose children are on the waiting list for admission into permanent care of an institution.

"I have been waiting until we visited John before writing to you as I would then be able to tell you now he is settling down. Visiting day is the first Saturday in each month as a result of which we have been unable to visit him more than once. He is very happy and we had a lovely day. For the first hour we walked around outside the block and

the second hour was spent playing football in a lovely spacious room. I only hope we didn't make too much noise! He has everything he wants and is well looked after. He was happy when we left—watching television.

"My husband and I would like to thank you and everyone concerned for everything you have done for us in getting John into such a lovely place. We know he will be happy there and we are looking forward to the next visiting day."

Roland J. F. Whyte,  
North-East Regional Officer.

P.S.—Since receiving this letter a further communication from the parents indicates that their son is very happy and receiving every care and attention—all adding up to what they describe as "wonderful".

## BEACON COLLECTION

Dear Editor,

An amount of £47 was recently collected at "The Shoulder of Mutton", South Normanton, Derbyshire, in just over a period of two weeks. Is this a record?

Kind regards  
J. K. Jackson.

## MORE NEWS FROM PONDS

Dear Editor,

All of us at Ponds hope our readers had a very nice Whitsun, and now let us catch up on the life at Ponds in the last two months.

A few weeks before Easter, six of the "Family", Mrs. Brown (our Warden) and Mr. Doherty (our Education Officer) went to Stoke Mandeville Electrical Mechanics Research Laboratory to see a demonstration on P.O.S.S.U.M. which I talked about in my last article. We were asked to have a go at working it with any part of our bodies that we thought we could manage. Mr. Maling, the inventor of the machine, explained how it worked.

## BOOK REVIEW

by Richard Talbot.

### "ON MY OWN FEET"

by DENNIS GRAY.

Published by Max Parish

15/-

THIS autobiography of a 36-year-old spastic is written with much humour, and little if any self pity. Dennis Gray tells us how he was injured at birth like many spastics. However, he manages to lead a very varied life. Of his early years in his home near Bournemouth, he relates his many visits to the local hospital transported on the back of his mother's bike. His school days were spent at an ordinary school, and he makes a good point that this is probably a better training for the outside world than a special school for the handicapped. Dennis made his first attempt to earn his own living by selling firewood. Unfortunately he became too ambitious and this, coupled with ill luck, almost led to disaster, but luckily his father came to his aid. We learn how he masters riding a tricycle, and later

becomes a member of a Youth Hostel Association. In this way he manages to travel to Paris and back with a friend, and Dennis has many interesting experiences and, of course, meets many new friends.

After spending eight frustrating months at St. Loyes Training Centre for the disabled at Exeter, he even gets a job selling ice cream in the outskirts of Bristol. Dennis was able to hold this employment for quite a few weeks, and surely this is no mean accomplishment for a spastic who is handicapped in all four limbs, and who's speech is badly affected!

Mr. Gray's next venture is in the rag and waste paper trade in which his progress was rapid, and is still progressing well as the book comes to an end. As for means of transport, after his tricycle he gets a Ministry of Health

Invacar, and later even drives his own lorry. Some of the methods used to achieve all this are, to say the least, "Highly Unorthodox", perhaps too much so for some of those who read this book. Nevertheless, one cannot but admire the courage of the author, and his determination always to press forward to his next goal, even if sometimes he gets his values mixed along the way.

All spastics and their families will greatly enjoy reading this Autobiography, and they will find it very amusing. Many of the situations Dennis experiences have often occurred in their own lifetime. One can only hope that this book will come into the hands of many of the general public that they may read and learn more of the hopes and fears, joys and aspirations of the spastic.

Two worked it (I was one) by using their chins, another by her foot, two with their arms stabilised, but using their fingers. They were all pleased with the results.

Some of the "Family" have applied to be considered for Assessment Courses, and have been accepted. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate one of our residents (Colin Smith) because he has just been accepted for secretarial training at Chester Centre, so we will have to say goodbye to him quite soon.

Over Easter about half the "Family" stopped at Ponds for the five days, but they didn't miss the fun. There was a trip to the Festival Hall for a Jazz Concert starring Acker Bilk and his Paramount Jazzband, then there was a trip to the pictures, both were jolly good.

Several ex-members of staff have visited Ponds and two of them got married over Easter so you see quite a lot happens at Ponds!

Some time ago one of the students at Newland Park College came to start a Science Group, but as we have not got a laboratory they thought it would be a good idea if the Group went to the College on alternate Saturday mornings to do their experiments.

Just as the sun attracts people to the beaches, it also brings them here, not to laze in the gardens but to see the work and daily life at Ponds. These people come from all over the place. For instance just the other day a party of 34 schoolchildren visited, and a few weeks earlier a party came from the local Mothers' Union, also a party of physiotherapists attending the C.P. Course at Cheyne Walk. They wanted to see what types of treatment were used at Ponds, and as one of our physiotherapists was away, two of the visitors took off their shoes and proceeded to help. A few weeks ago a Belgian occupational therapist came for the day. While she was here she took some photos of our workroom, and she also joined in with the French class and exchanged ideas with us. Another visitor was a social worker from Chicago. Her purpose was to get some ideas for the first adult spastic Centre which is being planned in Chicago. Our latest visitors have been two Regional Officers from the Spastics Society.

I hope you have enjoyed this letter. Have a good time on the beaches, but remember us at Ponds.

See you soon.

Linton Edwards,  
Ponds.

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### HAPPY HOLIDAY

Dear Editor,

I have recently had the very good fortune of spending a fabulous week at Caistor Holiday Camp, near Gt. Yarmouth.

The people who hired this holiday camp for the week I was there (8th-15th May) are a group of business men who, in their spare time and entirely voluntary, form themselves into a committee. This committee called "Holidays for the Disabled", starts working in their spare time from October to organise a holiday for the disabled.

I would like to voice the opinions of all of us who were lucky enough to have this holiday in saying that we had never enjoyed ourselves so much or met so many good people in our lives.

The people who helped us on the camp were real angels and deserve a medal. *Anything* no matter what it was we wanted doing, they did it for us immediately and always with a smile. It is to these people and all those concerned in making our holiday such a memorable one. We all wish to say a very big THANK YOU!

Mr. Roger Payne,  
Leicester.

Please print this letter for me because it is the best way I can show my appreciation of such wonderful work.

'62

Dear Editor,

I am constrained to refer to the letter of Mr. Peter West, the Honorary Chairman of the London '62 Club, in which he places emphasis upon the Cardinal Principles of the '62 Club, which is simply, but most decidedly, "DO IT YOURSELF".

Recently, it was a great privilege to me to attend a meeting of the London '62 Club, which I count as an experience most happy and inspiring. At the appropriate time, the Chairman issued the edict—"Break for Refreshments."

I have always had a dread of such intervals. Refusal to partake of such tempting delicacies might occasion offence, they had been most carefully prepared by the members of the '62 Club—all spastics. Conversely, acceptance of the kind invitation would possibly involve an incident in which such a phenomenon as "A Flying Saucer" would become a real occurrence indeed, causing one to blush to the roots of one's hair, even though I've been assured of my dire need of a Beatle's head-dress.

My fears in the situation were unfounded. A very nice young lady, with alas, less muscular co-ordination than myself, approached me with quiet voice, and confident smile—"Would you like a cup of tea Mr. David—I'll hold it for you".

I shall never forget that one little gesture on the part of my friend, still unknown to me by name, but surely, her confident desire to assist me that evening, is a most sure demonstration of the dauntless determination which is the dominating spirit of the '62 Club. We surely need to be helped, and we are ever deeply appreciative of the wonderful, unceasing help that we receive, BUT WE WANT TO HELP OTHERS TOO, AS WELL AS OURSELVES—PLEASE LET US DO SO, WHEN AND WHERE WE CAN.

Glanville David.

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